

Howard Road Historic District
Minnie B. Smoot Apartment Building
(J. Finley Wilson Memorial Lodge No. 13)
1015 Howard Road
Washington
District of Columbia

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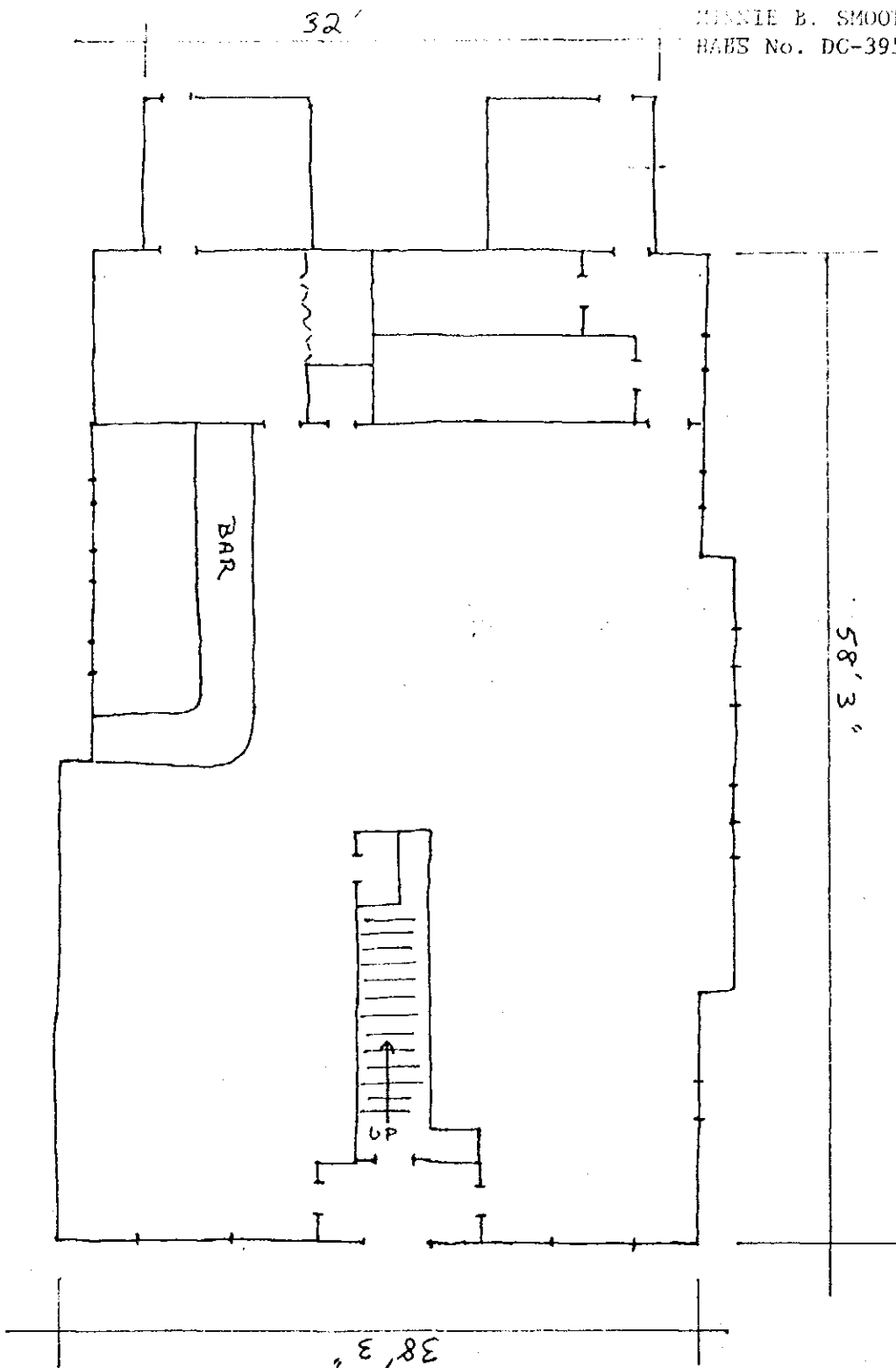
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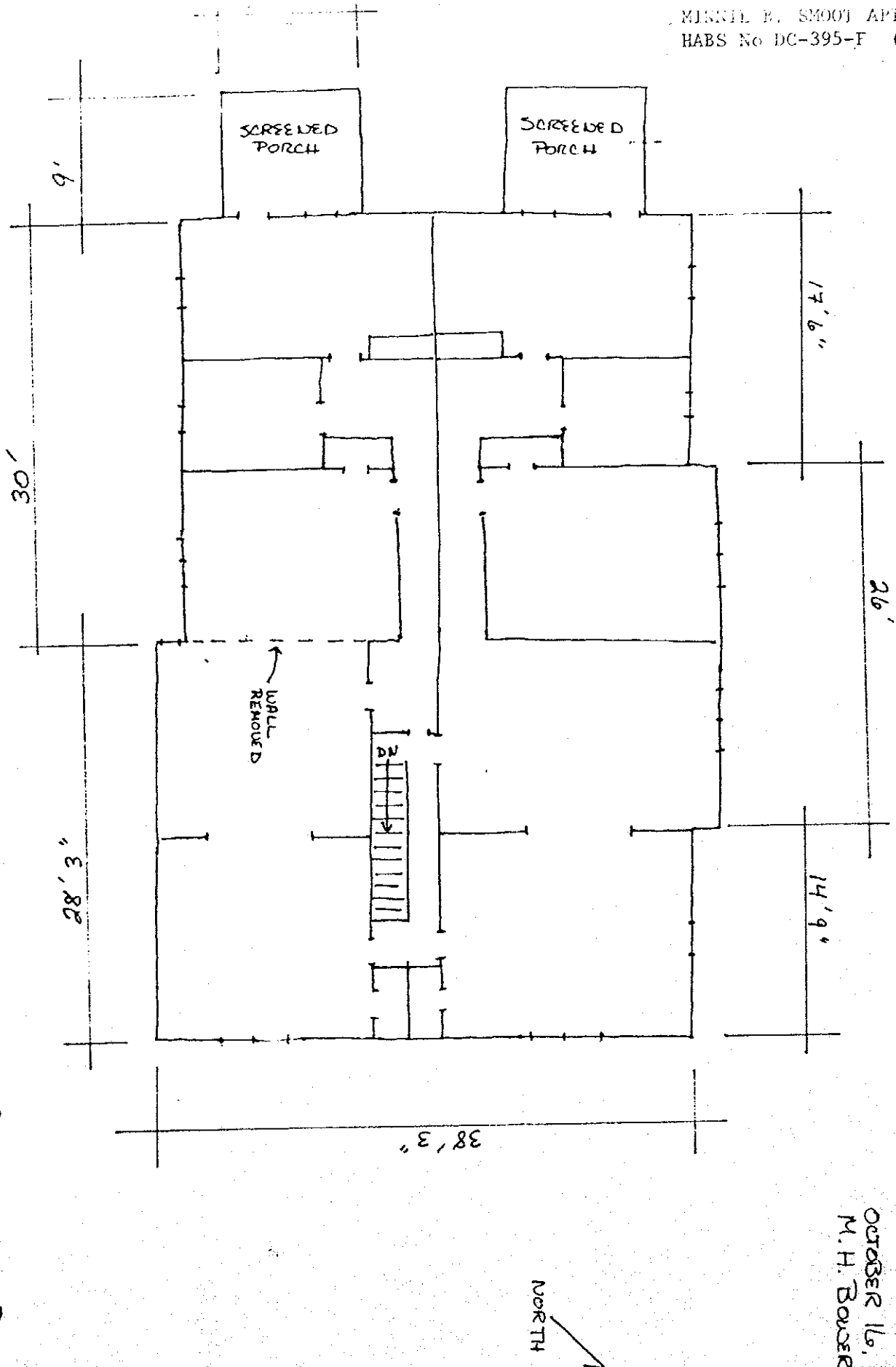
STATE District of Columbia	COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY Washington
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Minnie B. Smoot Apartment Building (building permit)		HABS NO. DC-395-F
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE J. Finley Wilson Memorial Lodge No. 13		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 1015 Howard Road, Washington, D.C.		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1929 (building permit)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) J.L. Turner (permit)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL; INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Built as an investment property for Minnie B. Smoot, local undertaker and property owner; four-unit apartment building erected on two lots subdivided out of Barry's Farm Lot 8; multi-family occupancy suggests trend toward maximizing investment returns in post-WWI period.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Exterior masonry bearing walls, utilizing standard building brick in 6-course common bond, and tan textured facebrick on facade; con- sills; interior has post and stud framing		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Two stories, approx. 38' x 67', four-unit block with three-part symmetrical facade, flat roof with parapet, two two-level rear porches, walk-in basement at rear		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE 6/1 wood d.h.s.; yellow-orange brick surrounds on west side, where window openings filled in with molded, pierced cinder blocks; facade has Chicago-type first floor windows below brick soldier arches; entry has concrete corner blocks and is surmounted by a panel with brick laid in herringbone pattern		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) (See sketched floor plans) 1/1 paneled doors; baseboards with ogee top moldings; simply-molded door and window surrounds tipped with simplified entablatures; double-leaf, 10-light doors between living and dining rooms; built-in cupboards in kitchens; skylight illuminates stairhall on 2nd floor		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES 1978- first floor completely remodeled as a lodge room, with long bar at left rear; glass and metal front doors installed, cinder blocks used to fill in windows on west side		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Building is used by the BPOE as lodge hall, offices, etc., and is well maintained		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE Documentation prepared by Louis Berger & Associates, Inc., for Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority in compliance with a Memorandum of Agreement with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Building permit dated 8/7/29; personal interview with building caretaker, Donald Ball, 10/16/84; blueprints dated 1978 in possession of Donald Ball; determined eligible for the National Register as part of the Howard Road Historic District.		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION M.H. Bowers, Louis Berger & Associates, Inc.		DATE 5 November 1984

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